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Bandipur inferno and aftermath

Forest Minister calls on injured; assures all help

Forest Minister B. Ramanath Rai addressing media persons in city this morning as District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and others look on. Picture right shows the Forest Minister enquiring an injured forest staff about his health at Apollo BGS Hospital.

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (RKB&BCT)- Minister for Forest, Environment and Ecology B. Ramanath Rai has assured that the State Government will take care of all medical expenses of forest staff who have been injured while dousing the forest fire at Bandipur. The assurance came when he visited the Apollo BGS Hospital in city this morning where the injured are being treated. He was accompanied by PWD and Mysuru District In-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa

The wildfire that broke out on Saturday in Kalkare range of Bandipur National Park claimed the life of forest guard Murigeppa Tammangol and injured Range Forest Officer Gangadhar and guards Manu and Manju. The injured are being treated at the hospital and according to the doctors, they have sustained 25 percent burn injuries.

Later speaking to reporters, Ramanath Rai said that a department-level enquiry will be ordered into the forest fire where the role of miscreants and tree smugglers will be probed. Forest officers have suspected that a few timber smugglers and poachers might have set the forest on fire at multiple places. "Rs. 25 lakh will be paid as compensation to the family of Murigeppa Tammangol and we will make efforts to provide a government job to one of Murigeppa's dependants. I have spoken to the doctors and the government will bear all the hospital expenses," Rai said.

Admitting that the Department lacked adequate trained personnel to man the jungles, he said that the administration was focussing on recruitment and training. "Efforts will also be made to arrest the growth of Lantana weed inside the Bandipur forests as dry Lantana is the main reason for the fire to spread," he said.

MEETING AT KABINI: After visiting the hospital, Ramanath Rai headed towards Kabini where a meeting has been called to discuss on measures to prevent forest fires and the available fire-fighting equipment. Officials from Bandipur National Park and Nagarahole National Park will attend.

FIRE THREAT

According to forest officials, a team of 250 guards have been stationed at the Tamil Nadu border where the forests of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu meet to prevent forest fire entering Karnataka. Officials said that the fire was raging at Mudumalai and Masinagudi ranges and there were chances of the same spreading to Karnataka.

[See also Page-8]

Trade Licence Mela evokes good response

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (RKB&VNS)- The one-day Trade Licence Renewal Mela organised by Hotel Owners Association and MCC evoked good response as many hoteliers were seen thronging the Association Office at Krishnamurthypuram.

Inaugurating the Mela, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that trade licence was compulsory for people involved in hotel business and assured to help the hoteliers to solve problems related to trade licence.

He informed the hoteliers to approach him directly in case of officials causing problems during the renewal of their licences.

(See MELA on page 9)

German lady molested atop Hill: Police grill three suspects

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (RK&BCT)- In the wake of a 23-year-old German woman being molested and robbed atop Chamundi Hill last evening, the KR Police this morning took three suspects into custody for interrogation.

The Police team headed by K.R. Inspector Prakash rounded off the trio from in and around the Hill based on the description given by the victim. Following the complaint by the woman, Police had prepared the sketches of the accused.

In her complaint, the woman said that she had been to Chamundi Hill yesterday evening and took a bus to reach the temple. While returning at around 5 pm, she chose to take the steps. While she was descending the steps, a miscreant pounced on her and molested her. He then snatched Rs. 2,500 cash that was in her vanity bag and fled.

The woman has sustained injuries on her lips and body. She had come to India on a three-month tour and has been camping in Mysuru since the last three days.

CCTV CAMERAS: Police are now installing CCTV cameras at three places – at the base of the Hill, near Nandi Statue and near the View Point. "We are in touch with some sponsors and 3 cameras will be installed either today or tomorrow. If we get more sponsors, five more cameras will be installed," Police sources said.

TEASER

By N. Prakash

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.

Mysuru, Tuesday 21st February 2017

Monumental measure

Health of the country's people at large is figuring in public domain nowadays to an unprecedented extent. However, the health of the country's economy, being gauged by its Gross Domestic Product, a universally used indicator has virtually taken away the spotlight on the former, given the officially published almost weekly estimates of that economic indicator for the current fiscal and its anticipated figure for the next financial year. In the meanwhile, the top brass in the incumbent Union government is mulling alignment of the conventional April-March style of financial year with the January-December style of the Gregorian calendar, citing some advantages, including a more rewarding agriculture policy as well as chalking out increasingly efficient related programmes of the government in years ahead. The justification for the historic measure has to wait for a few years for judging its merits. Mopping up revenue to rev up the government's kitty and rein in the nagging fiscal deficit will have to be pursued to achieve a sustained rise in GDP of the nation.

Global rating agencies have begun to shower adulation for India's global rank at near top as a healthy economy, including a single digit rate of inflation year on year, although Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and foodflation (inflation exclusively applied to food of masses) have not been held in check to a perceptible extent. In this context, one cannot over-exaggerate the synergy between administration and people at large to sustain health of the country's economy.

While gross figures of the output of agriculture in a given year are disclosed through media by the agencies of the government concerned, the *litmus test* of *a)* whether those figures mirror reality and *b)* if the estimated output can be accepted as adequate is that the nation's hunger index remains at *zero* level. The country is far from scoring pass marks in that test. Talking in a lay language, while grains constitute the people's staple, other foods, drawn from both plant and animal sources, are to be zealously raised to meet the nutritional norms in the diet of people at large. In this backdrop, the training centre being reportedly constructed in Madikeri, Kodagu District, Karnataka to train farmers in growing *horticultural crops* brings to one's mind the statement "one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." by Neil Armstrong on landing on moon's surface in 1969.

India is host to fruits and vegetables in an impressive variety raised in different regions of the country, currently earning third rank among the countries of the world in production of these crops. The Madikeri-based centre's creation shall be a monumental measure on many counts once it is replicated in every State across the country.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Following media reports that the White House exaggerated the number of people who attended the President's inauguration ceremony, Jugular Vein sought an interview.

Jugular Vein (JV): *A lot of people are saying that the White House is fudging the facts regarding a whole lot of issues. Apart from being a post-truth administration, are you a post-fact administration as well?*

White House (WH): *Post-fact? Hogwash! We're the most pro-fact of all administrations. In fact – or rather, in pro-fact – we're so pro-fact that we're never satisfied with the number of facts available about any given thing, so we make up a whole new bunch of facts, called alternative facts.*

JV: *Alternative facts? Let's take a fact like 2+2=4. What's the alternative to that?*

WH: *Depends.* ***JV:*** *Depends? Depends on what? How can 2+2=4, which is a fact, depend on anything other than itself?*

WH: *Simple. Let's say the first 2 represents illegal immigrants. Now you add another 2 illegal immigrants. And, in our book, that doesn't add up to 4 illegal immigrants but to 18 billion dollars, which is what it's going to cost Mexico for the wall we're building to keep all the illegal immigrants out of America. So you see, 2+2 doesn't always add up to 4. It can add up to anything that we want it to add up to, by using alternative facts. —* ***Jug Suraiya in The Times of India.***

NEWS SPARKLERS

Cat & Dog paw-themed Ice cream

Tokyo: Japan has some of the most bizarre ice cream flavours in the world, but a frozen treat that's supposed to replicate the texture and smell of soft cat and dog paws is a bit too much, even for the Land of the Rising Sun.

Cat paws are so popular that a couple of years ago, a company came out with a hand-cream that not only left the users' hands as smooth to the touch as a cat's paw. But now, the organisers of the 2017 Japan Pet Fair, are taking this obsession one step further with two unique ice creams designed to have the texture and flavour of cat and dog paws.

It sounds absurd, but these are real food products that curious eaters will be allowed to sample at the Japan Pet Fair in Osaka, from Feb. 23-26. They obviously don't contain any real animal paws, but makers have added various ingredients to the base vanilla ice cream that allegedly recreate both the texture and smell of cat and dog paws.

Snail rescuer!

Jerusalem: The life of one garden snail may not mean very much in the grand scheme of things, but for one Israeli woman who accidentally stepped on one, cracking its brittle shell, it was enough to warrant a visit to the local vet clinic.

It's quite in rainy in Tel Aviv this time of year, and moisture-loving garden snails are very active. They sometimes venture outside their natural habitat, and, unfortunately, some of them get stepped on by careless humans. Most fortunate cases, only their shells get damaged. If they don't suffer major injuries to their bodies, snails will usually fix their mobile homes by drawing in calcium, but one lady in the Israeli capital didn't want to leave anything to chance after accidentally stepping on a slow-crawling snail.

Rather than simply ignoring the snail, the woman meticulously picked up all the pieces of its broken shell and took it to a local animal clinic. She was lucky enough to find a dedicated medical staff who, instead of brushing off her pleas for help to handle what other vets would probably consider more important cases, spent hours gluing the snail's shell back together, using epoxy.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Can rosemary improve my memory?

The ancient herb rosemary has stood the test of time, an evidence-based medicine, as a memory-enhancing herb. Studies have demonstrated that the lower dose of 750 MG was effective at improving cognitive performance and "speed of memory." The highest dose, 6,000 MG, had a "significant impairing effect."

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Natl.-level Commerce and Management Fest Sapientia '17

Mysuru, Feb.21-Kautilya First Grade College, Vijayanagar, has organised a National-level Commerce and Management Fest *"Sapientia'17"* on Feb.22 and 23 at Country Inn & Suites by Carlson, Mysuru.

The event will be inaugurated at 9 am tomorrow by Prabhu Ram Choudhary. The Grand Finale will be held on Feb.23 at 6 pm with the Bengaluru-based folk-rock band *'Swarathma'* performing at the GRS Fantasy Park Amphitheatre. The events include: INCANDESCE, PEOPLE MATTER, CONNECTOR, FINOMANIAC & CONCURSO.

Interested colleges and students may contact the Fest Co-ordinators on Mob: 8095935455, 8095107663 or 9740002538.

Rotary Ivory City to honour 'Best Police Constables' tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.21- Four 'Best Police Constables' of Mysuru City including a lady Police Constable serving under Law & Order and Crime & Traffic will be honoured by Rotary Ivory City Mysuru at a function to be held on Feb. 22 at Hotel Casa Clarks Inn, Hunsur Road, at 7 pm. They will be feted for their distinguished services by City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subramanyeshwara Rao.

Profiles

R. Mahadevaswamy (Law & Order), who joined the Department in 2002, is currently posted at Lashkar Police Station. He has used exemplary diplomacy in dealing with all religions and faiths and has convened 'Peace Seminars' to ensure harmony during festivals and religious ceremonies with alacrity.

K. Mahadeva (Crime) joined in 2002 and now posted at Narasimharaja Station. In 2016, he detected thefts totalling to Rs. 47 lakh — inclusive of gold jewellery, cars, two-wheelers, mobile phones, laptops etc. In his previous posting at Vidyaranyapuram, he served in Crime branch, efficiently.

C. Basavaraju (Traffic) joined the Department in 2000 and is currently posted at Siddarthanagar Police Station. In the last 5 years, he is engaged in traffic disposal planning. He has used his expertise in controlling traffic around Mysuru Zoo and assisted visitors in orderly parking.

R. Shobha joined the Department in 2005 and now posted at Nazarbad Station. She has exhibited keen interest in documentation and office administration. She has also earned good name for her disposition to aggrieved women approaching Police, rendering medical attention and for being empathetic to their needs.

Really...?

- ***The world's oldest piece of chewing gum is 9,000 years old!***
- ***Since the Earth is also several million miles closer to the sun at that time of the year than in the summer, sunlight striking the moon was about 7% stronger making it brighter. Also, this was the closest perigee of the Moon of the year since the moon's orbit is constantly deforming. In places where the weather was clear and there was a snow cover, even car headlights were superfluous.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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Employee: *Sir, whenever I asked for a leave !!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

When shall Mysuru Airport be operational?

Sir,

This is in response to the news item titled ***"Officials review Airport security, expansion"*** in *SOM* dated 13th February 2017. It was good to read that officials reviewed the Mysuru Airport with regard to the security following frequent VIP and VVIP movements and expansion plans. But there was no word about when the Mandakalli airport would start its flight operations for common citizens.

There were a lot of promises being made by the concerned people's representatives with regard to introduction of direct flight services between New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Chennai to Mysuru, as direct flight from Bengaluru to Mysuru was not a viable option. I am eagerly waiting when such promises would be fulfilled.

Even though the passenger service to Bengaluru using Dakota aircraft began in 1950s, the Mysuru airport is still on and off of the airport radar. In the meantime, *SOM* also published a report on Kannur international airport which is projected to commence its flight operations from September 2017. The airport project was initiated in 1996, when C.M. Ibrahim was the Union Minister for Civil Aviation. The new airport would be turned into a major aviation transit point and will have a handling capacity of 4.67 million passengers.

During September 2016, the Chief Minister of Kerala, Pinarayi Vijayan decided to increase the runway by 4000 mts in Phase I along with a full parallel taxiway to enhance safety as reported earlier. Once the extension to 4000 mts is completed, Kannur will be the fourth airport in India to have a runway length of 4000 mts after Delhi, Hyderabad and Bengaluru.

This makes the difference between the phase of developmental work undertaken by our neighbouring State Kerala with that of Karnataka. The report also stated that once the Kannur airport becomes operational, it is expected to become a boon for people of Kodagu. We the people of Karnataka are depending upon our neighbouring State for the ease and convenience of flight travel, which our own State lacks. **After watching the progress of Kerala, will our elected representatives learn the lesson of developing the State?**

—A concerned citizen

Mysuru 15.2.2017

Bogadi road badly in need of a divider

Sir,

I am a regular commuter on Bogadi road and via Kukkarahalli Kere to University signal light stretch there is no divider. As a result, vehicles coming from the opposite direction move at a rattling speed dangerously towards right in spite of sometime an interceptor being stationed at that junction. This in turn may cause serious accidents.

In order to avert these accidents, I request the Traffic Police to provide a divider on the stretch between Kukkarahalli Lake Circle and University signal light at the earliest. I also request the Traffic Police to station the interceptor at least from 9 am to 9 pm on all working days to penalise the traffic offenders.

The authorities concerned will do good to extend this divider throughout Bogadi road at least up to Ring Road, of course, with a way leading to the main entrance of Mysore University (where Kuvempu's statue is erected) for easy movement of University staff and students during working hours. This in turn would definitely ease traffic congestion and avoid serious accidents.

—Arunkumar

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DC inaugurates Young Indians' first Entrepreneurship Summit

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep is seen lighting the lamp as (from left) CII Mysore Chairman Dr. N. Muthukumar, Co-Chair of Yi Mysore Akshara Kumar, Chair of Yi Mysore Ramya Bopanna, and CII Vice-Chairman Arjun N. Ranga look on.

Mysuru, Feb. 21-With the aim of promoting entrepreneurship in the city and to make Mysuru the first choice for Start-Ups, Young Indians (Yi) Mysuru Chapter conceptualised and organised an entrepreneurship summit *#WhyNotMysuru* at Hotel Radisson Blu here recently.

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep, who inaugurated the event said, "It's time that we harness the potential of this growing city and converge the resources like education, market opportunities, growing real estate sector and ensure we have a pool of entrepreneurs who can proudly say that they are from Mysuru."

He also added that Mysuru was the first city to have public bicycle sharing system. He suggested that Start-Ups must concentrate more on technology, idea, innovation and networking.

The speakers invited for this event were first generation entrepreneurs who have started from scratch, making a mark in India and are exploring global waters.

U.S. Mahendar, Founder, Hatti Kaapi, P.C.Musthafa, Founder, ID Fresh Food, Bharathram Lokkur, Lokkur Investment Advisors Private Limited, Deepak Natraj, Aarin Capital, Yashasvi Shankar President & COO, Saanvi Technologies LLC, shared their journey with a 400-plus audience.

Dr. N. Muthukumar, CII Chairman, suggested that Start-Ups should mainly focus on customer and product quality. Arjun Ranga, CII Vice-Chairman, spoke on product innovation and aggressive global marketing. Renu Srinivasan, Executive Director, BNI Mysore, spoke about the importance of networking.

Ramya Bopanna, Chair of Yi Mysore, addressed the gathering about Yi, its objectives and next steps. Akshara Kumar, Co-chair Yi Mysore spoke about the idea, objectives and concept behind *#WhyNotMysore*.

Bags 1st place in Scouts and Guides Rally

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Rotary Brindavan School students have bagged first place in Tent-making and Flag Pole construction at the District-level rally which was held at Sri Jayachamarajendra Scouts & Guides Centre, Mysuru on Feb. 17.

The team was led by Asharani under the guidance of School Principal K. Mamatha, according to a press release.

Printer donated to Hebbal Fire Station Office

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Software Paradigms India (SPI) Pvt Ltd., recently donated a Printer to Hebbal Fire Station Office in city. Reni Thomas, SPI Senior Manager-Admin, Purchase and Facilities, presented the printer to Hebal Fire Station DFO Mahadeva and his team.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Probationary Officer at SBI

Online applications have been invited from eligible candidates for appointment to Probationary Officer posts in State Bank of India (SBI), through a recruitment test. The candidates must have passed any degree. Also, those studying in final year/ semester can apply. The applicants must be in the age group of 21 to 30 years. However, there is relaxation in upper age limit by 5 years for SC/ST candidates, 3 years for OBC candidates and 10 years for the physically-challenged. The selection will be held in 3 stages — preliminary exam, mains and group discussion and interview. Last date for submission of application form and remittance of test fee at Banks is Mar. 6. For details, log on to website: www.sbi.co.in or visit the University Employment Information and Guidance Bureau, Manasagangothri, Mysuru.

Cancer Clinic on Feb. 23

Preethi Cancer Centre has organised a Free Cancer Detection Clinic at its premises, #873, Vani Vilas Road, Lakshmipuram, on Feb. 23 between 10 am and 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821- 4259259.

Communication disorder

All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) has organised a camp on 'Communication disorder' at Elder Citizen's Council premises in Jayalakshmipuram on Feb. 22 from 10 am to 1 pm. Dr. N.K. Ramachandregowda will preside. For details, contact the Secretary on Mob: 98808-05994.

Disruption in water supply

Due to emergency maintenance works undertaken by Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW), there will be disruption in the supply of drinking water on Feb. 21 and Feb. 22 in the MCC Wards 2 to 9, 11 to 19 and in Wards 21, 22 and 24, according to a press release.

Elected

The following have been elected as office-bearers of Bharathiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Employees Union (BRBNMEU) [affiliated to Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS)], in the election held recently: H.S. Sadashiva - President; former Minister S.A. Ramdas - Working President; Mahalinga Prabhu - Vice-President-1; Gladson V. Jacob - Vice-President-2; K.D. Shivayogeesh - Secretary; B.P. Harish - Deputy Secretary-1; Yashaswini - Deputy Secretary-2; M.P. Ravi - Organising Secretary; Mohammad Faizul Haque - Joint Secretary-1; Rahuth Amit Baban Rao - Treasurer; P.J. Kannan - Co-Treasurer, according to a press release from the BMS.

Making Mysuru poster-free

MCC to strictly enforce laws to prevent defacement

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (MTY&BCT)- The next time you paste a poster on any wall within the city limits, watch out. The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) is all set to intensify its campaign to make the city poster-free. Criminal cases will be filed against those defacing public places with posters and banners under Karnataka Open Places (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1981.

Launching an anti-defacement campaign to make Mysuru poster-free under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, after holding discussions with 'Poster Hatao India' campaign representatives, Mayor M.J. Ravi Kumar told reporters that the MCC will spare no effort to bring to book those defacing public, private buildings and open spaces with posters, banners or writings. He called for the immediate removal of the same across the city.

Under the provisions of Karnataka Open Spaces (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1981, defacement of any property (public or private, stationary or moving) in public view is a cognizable offence.

The Mayor said that the MCC has been trying hard to retain the 'clean city' tag and has launched several initiatives and campaigns. "Henceforth, the provisions of law will be enforced effectively. We have already filed six cases under the Act in the last one month and the drive to check the menace will be intensified. Film distributors have asked for a space to paste film posters in the city. We have issued warning not to paste posters on public walls," he said.

Colonel Shivraj Kumar (third from right), Consultant for Union Urban Development Ministry for 'Anti-Defacement' under Swachh Bharat Mission, is seen addressing press persons at the Old Council Hall in the MCC premises yesterday as Mayor M.J. Ravi Kumar, DCP (Crime and Traffic) N. Rudramuni and others look on.

Consultant for Union Urban Development Ministry for 'Anti-Defacement' under Swachh Bharat Mission Colonel Shivraj Kumar is in the city to spread awareness about the Karnataka Open Places (Prevention of Disfigurement) Act, 1981. Earlier, he conducted an 'anti-defacement' session for MCC authorities to create awareness on legal aspects of anti-defacement and public participation to complain and remove posters.

Shivraj Kumar, who is spearheading a campaign 'Poster Hatao India' since 2009 in parts of the country, said that penalty for violation in Karnataka is less compared to New Delhi. "Under the 1981 Act, offenders of disfigurement could be punished with an imprisonment up to six months or a fine up to Rs. 1,000 or both. But in Delhi, penalty for the same violation is up to Rs. 50,000 or one year imprisonment or both. He regretted that posters had become a common spectacle on several walls, electricity and telephone poles, while banners announcing various programmes, including religious and political ones, were put up in different areas.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime and Traffic) N. Rudramuni said that the Police Department will take strict action against the violators and they will also file suo moto cases.

NEW ADVERTISEMENT POLICY

The MCC will now allow advertisement hoardings and billboards. It may be recalled here that after the licenses issued for advertisement hoardings and billboards across the city were misused, leading to loss of revenue, the MCC had, in April 2015, stopped renewing the existing licenses or issuing fresh licenses.

"We will unveil a new outdoor advertisement policy for the city in the coming MCC Budget," said K.V. Mallesh, Chairperson of MCC's Standing Committee on Taxation, Finance and Appeals. The rules of outdoor advertising, however, will keep in mind the city's heritage and aesthetics, he added.

Deputy Mayor Rathna Lakshman, retired Commander Sathish Aiyappa, Kamala Aiyappa, MCC Health Officer Dr. Nagaraj and others were present at the press conference.

Sunil Bose told to appear before Court

Sunil Bose

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (RK&DM)- The third Additional District and Sessions Court on Monday, directed Sunil Bose (son of PWD Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa), an accused in a bribery case related to illegal sand extraction and transportation case, to appear in person on Feb. 27.

Bose has been accused of forcing a Mines and Geology Department Official, Alphonsus, to accept a bribe of Rs.1 lakh.

Alphonsus was trapped by the Lokayukta Police on Mar. 27, 2010, when he was receiving bribe from a lorry owner. He had confessed to the crime that he was forced by Bose and his friend Raju to take the bride.

The Court had earlier issued an order asking him to appear in person on Feb. 20, but his Counsel had sought exemption.

It may be recalled that Bose had requested the Court to drop his name from the case citing lack of evidence against him. But the Court rejected his appeal.

Man dies after falling from train

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (PM&DM)- An elderly man died after falling from a moving train between Mandya and Maddur section of Mysuru- Bengaluru railway track on Monday evening.

The deceased has been identified as Anthony (65), a resident of Ramakrishnanagar H-Block.

Anthony was travelling to Bengaluru in Mysuru-Mayiladuthurai Train, when he stood at the door of the boggie after using the toilet. He accidentally slipped and fell near Ummadahalli bridge located between Mandya and Maddur and died on the spot.

The incident came to light when one of Anthony's fellow passengers noticed that he had not returned to his seat for a long time.

The Mandya Railway Police, who visited the spot, informed the matter to Mysuru Railway Police. The body was shifted to MMC&RI mortuary.

The Mysuru Railway Police have registered a case in this regard.

Help identify the body

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Narasimharaja Police have sought the help of general public in identifying the body of a 50 to 55 year-old man which was found lying near the Fire Brigade Station in Saraswathipuram on Feb.18.

Bypassers, who noticed he body, called up Police Control Room at about 3.10 pm following which Police reached the spot and shifted it to MMC&RI mortuary.

The deceased is 6 ft.tall, fair complexioned, oval-faced and moderately built.

Those having information can contact N.R. Police on Ph: 0821-2418312 or ACP on Ph: 0821-2418311 or e-mail: acpnrmyc@ksp.gov.in, according to a press release.

Minister inaugurates street-lighting system on stretch of Jodi Thenginamara Road

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (US&SBD)- The new lighting system installed on the stretch of Jodi Thenginamara Road (developed by MUDA from *Star of Mysore* office road junction to the Railway bridge near Karakushalanagar) was inaugurated by Tanveer Sait, Minister for Primary and Secondary Educational, last evening.

The said road was developed right from Highway Circle jointly by MCC and MUDA. Totally 72 lights have been installed on the stretch of road with 46 poles at a cost of Rs. 18 lakh and the darkness of the road at night for want of street lights had drawn bitter criticism from public. However, the stretch of the said road from *SOM* office junction to Highway Circle developed by MCC, is still awaiting street lights.

MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, Commissioner Dr. M. Mahesh, Member Anwar Pasha, Superintending Engineer Shivakumar, AE Lokesh and others were present.

HOPCOMS service soon to go online in city

Minimum order capped at Rs. 500

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (US)- Services of Horticulture Produce Co-operative Marketing Society (HOPCOMS) will soon go online in city to receive fruits and vegetables at the door step but it would be restricted only to purchases of items worth above Rs. 500.

Right now the service exists with HOPCOMS by placing an order either through phone or in person at the Central Office of HOPCOMS which would now go online to benefit the customers. The service is already available in Bengaluru from Feb. 6.

The new service would benefit bulk buyers for marriages and other functions to receive items at wholesale rate. The ordered items would be delivered at the doorstep within 12 to 24 hours from the time of booking, according to HOPCOMS Director Boregowda. The topic of commencing the new service in Mysuru come up for discussion at the meeting of the HOPCOMS Management Committee held in Bengaluru recently chaired by the new President Surya Kumar which got the approval also.

The responsibility of the delivering the ordered items at doorstep is likely to be outsourced to a private party.

Obituary

M. Puttamma

Mysuru, Feb. 21- M. Puttamma (85), wife of late Mese Ramanna and a resident of Vontikoppal in city, passed away yesterday night at her residence following heart attack. She leaves behind four sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam here this afternoon.

Opinions sought for

women empowerment policy

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (US)- The Department of Women and Child Welfare has constituted a State-level Committee, headed by Shakuntala T. Shetty, Department Minister's Parliamentary Secretary, to form the draft of State Women Empowerment Policy. The draft has been uploaded to the Department website which may be viewed by logging on to link: *http:202.138.101.165/dwcd/pages/home.aspx*

The public can view the draft and mail their opinion to *ddwcdmysore@gmail.com*

Awareness rally against child marriage in city

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (SP&DM)- An awareness rally against child marriage was organised by Women and Child Welfare Department in city this morning.

More than 200 NSS students of Maharani's Arts College took part in the rally which was flagged off by Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep in front of his office.

Speaking on the occasion, Randeep said that the Dist. Administration had stopped 81 child marriages in the district between April 2016 and January 2017.

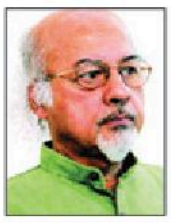
Highlighting the need for widespread awareness campaigns on the ill-effects of child marriage, the DC said that it was more important to hold awareness campaigns at Gram Panchayat level, as most of the child marriages are taking place in rural areas. Asking all mass marriage organisers to carefully scrutinise all records pertaining to the age of the bride, he underlined the role of parents in preventing child marriages.

He called upon girl students to take part in more such campaigns in an effort to eradicate child marriage.

The rally passed through Hunsur Road, Metrople Circle and JLB Road before culminating at Maharani's Arts College.

Women and Child Welfare Deputy Director K. Radha, Development Officer K. Padma, District Child Protection Officer Nagaraj, District Programme Officer Nagesh Bilwa, Maharani's Arts College Principal Prof. Vijay and others were present.

As Rahul Gandhi drives S. M. Krishna out of Congress, issues of morality, bankruptcy & dilemmas surface



Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

There is a tragic inevitability about the doom of the Congress Party. It's a Greek tragedy where the hero's powerful wish to achieve a goal is defeated by a flaw in his character complicated by fate and the will of the gods. Why the will of the gods should go against the Congress, we do not know. For past sins, perhaps. For present sins, the BJP may face similar wrath of the gods in due course. But that can be no consolation for the Congress now.

Rahul Gandhi, as the Congress' Greek hero, revealed the flaw in his character when he stormed into the Delhi Press Club in 2013, declared an ordinance issued by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh as "nonsense" and tore up a copy before the cameras. Manmohan Singh took the insult lying down. S.M. Krishna did not. Resenting various humiliations Rahul Gandhi heaped upon him, he gave up the primary membership of the Party he had served with distinction for a lifetime.

The fate of the Congress in Karnataka is now sealed. When the State goes to the polls next year, the Congress will perforce hand over its only State in the South to the BJP's Yeddyurappa. On a silver platter. For free. An elated Yeddyurappa was quick on his feet to exploit the opportunity. He called on Krishna and ensured wide publicity for the meeting. Talk of Krishna joining the BJP filled the air. Krishna inadvertently contributed to the rumours by merely saying that he had not decided about future action. More masala came from Delhi with reports of the Vice-President's post being offered to him.

We can see the Greek tragedy entering a three-pronged denouement here, highlighting the moral bankruptcy of the

BJP, the political bankruptcy of the Congress and, interestingly, the dilemma of those of our political veterans who still have some experience enriched wisdom that only they can contribute.

The Congress has made itself so unwanted in Karnataka that the BJP can afford to plan a clean government in the next round and surprise the country to its advantage. But it cannot see beyond Yeddyurappa. That a Chief Minister who was jailed for corruption is again being projected as the party's leader is a pointer to the BJP's political morality. Other Cabinet-level jail birds can now return to power, making a mockery of the BJP leadership's claim that it has freed India from corruption. Is this burlesque or sarcasm? Perhaps it's humour.

The Congress' role as the facilitator of the BJP's return to power in Karnataka underlines its political bankruptcy. Karnataka was the State that rescued Indira Gandhi when the rest of the country rejected her. From that pinnacle of influence, it has fallen to a level where the Chief Minister's main concern seems to be the installation of his life-size posters at every bus stop. This is burlesque. It's not humour.

The hero's character flaw brought out a problem that's generic to all Parties — the role of their veterans. There are two types of veterans, those who brought shame to the Party who should be kept out, and those who earned respect and should therefore be kept in. S.M. Krishna has had his share of mistakes and lapses, but they did not diminish his glamour value in public life. Admired for his patronage of classical music, his social graces and his consideration for colleagues, he is seen as the most cultured leader from the South, with perhaps only Ramakrishna Hegde matching him. Parties must find ways to benefit from such personages.

The BJP sidelined L.K. Advani, but extended all respect to him, enabling him to retain his dignity. The CPM resented V.S. Achuthanandan for his mass appeal, but gave him a position of honour in the Government structure. The Congress seems incapable of such gestures. The will of the gods?

The veterans themselves need to approach the problem with equanimity. Joining a rival Party out of pique is the worst course to adopt. If, for example, Krishna were to become Vice-President courtesy BJP, he will be seen as politically second fiddle to Yeddyurappa and indebted to the Prime Minister — a fall from the frying pan into the fire.

Krishna's education and standing equip him to popularise in India what is routine for retired American Presidents —give lectures, write books, promote education and research, as A.P.J. Abdul Kalam did with great impact. He has in him more than one book that would add substance to current history.

Power passes. Work of value lives on.

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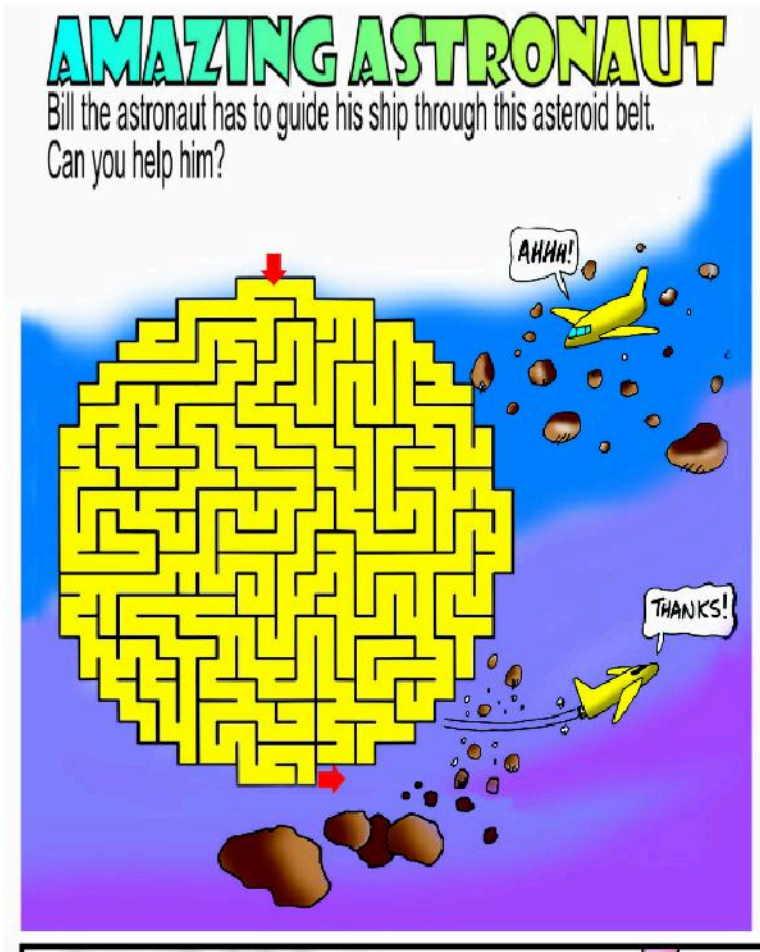

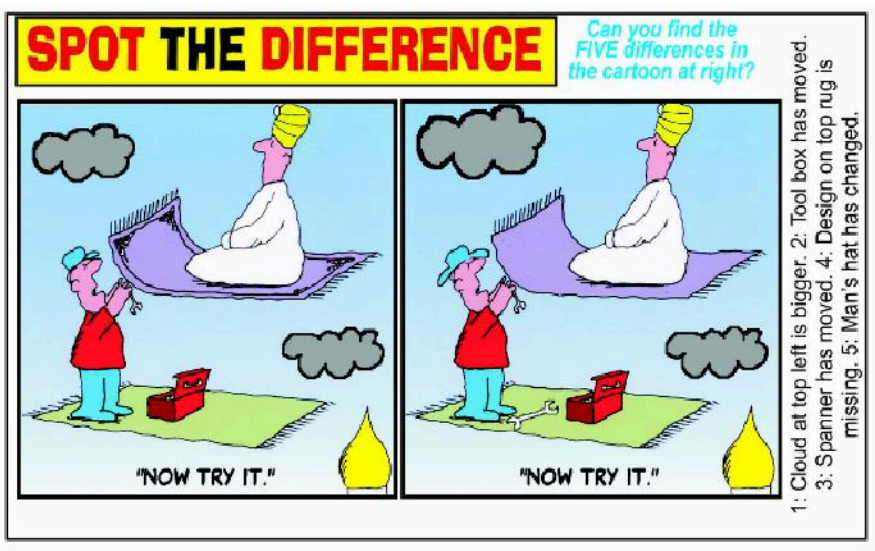
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Can you find the FIVE differences in the cartoon at right?
"NOW TRY IT."
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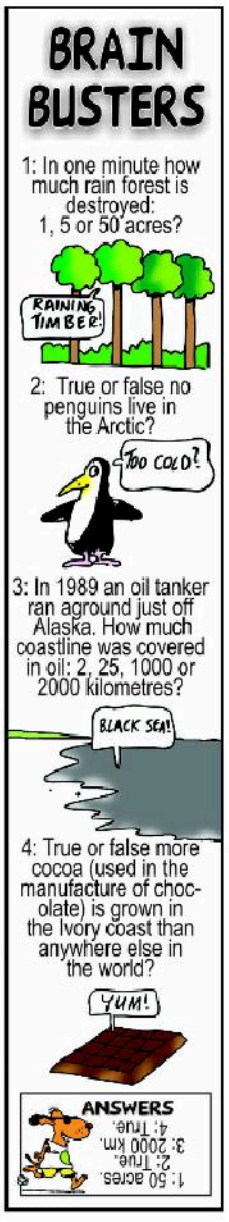
1: Cloud at top left is bigger. 2: Tool box has moved. 3: Spanner has moved. 4: Design on top rug is missing. 5: Man's hat has changed.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RAINING TIMBER!
2: True or false no penguins live in the Arctic?
TOO COLD!
3: In 1989 an oil tanker ran aground just off Alaska. How much coastline was covered in oil: 2, 25, 1000 or 2000 kilometres?
BLACK SEA!
4: True or false more cocoa (used in the manufacture of chocolate) is grown in the Ivory Coast than anywhere else in the world?
YUM!
ANSWERS
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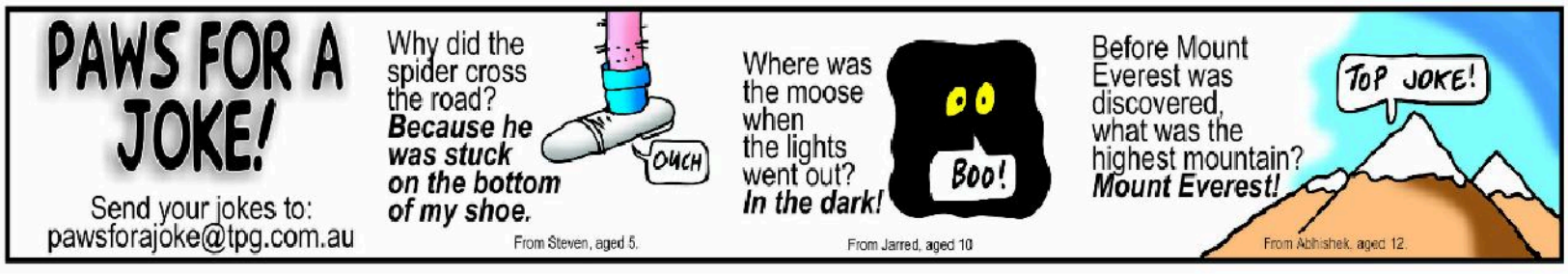
2: True.
3: 2000 km.
4: True.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Send your jokes to:
pawsforajoke@tpg.com.au
Why did the spider cross the road?
Because he was stuck on the bottom of my shoe.
OUCH
From Steven, aged 5.
Where was the moose when the lights went out?
In the dark!
BOO!
From Jarred, aged 10
Before Mount Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain?
Mount Everest!
TOP JOKE!
From Abhishek, aged 12.

Fr. Denis Noronha

Celebrating 60 Years of Priesthood

Though he has grown weak and his legs not as steady as before, **Rev. Fr. Denis Noronha,** the man behind establishing many educational institutions in Mysuru, believes he still can serve the Lord in his own little ways. *"It is not easy to be 85 with five major surgeries and one minor surgery. With years this long, every day is an extra gift from God. I thank the Lord that at 85, He still entrusts me with a double ministry: the ministry of prayer and sacrifice,"* said Fr. Noronha when *Star of Mysore* called on him at 'Prashantha Nilaya' in Bannimantap here last evening on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee Year of his Priesthood [He will be completing 60 years of Priesthood on April 8, 2017].

Considering his yeomen service to society, his well-wishers have organised a felicitation function and a Thanksgiving Mass on Feb. 26 (Sunday) at 10.30 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church in Srirampura, Mysuru.

A 'Self-Made Man', Fr. Noronha would often go out of his way only to help the poor, the downtrodden and the needy to bring them to the mainstream of the society either by helping them financially, by getting them jobs or at least recommending them to the right person.

Born on July 27, 1932 to a humble agricultural family in Tenka Belluru village of Bantwal taluk, Dakshina Kannada, Fr. Noronha traversed not only time but also the hearts of many, who came in contact with him. He decided to cultivate human beings to make them bloom as noble souls, which made him a priest of a different kind and a household name in Mysuru. He was the priest who took God to the people in the form of health, education and selfless service.

Fr. Noronha said, *"One should not forget that one or the other day we have to give an account to God. If an individual remembers this, then there will be peace, love and good relationship in the society."*

Having joined the Seminary at a tender age of 13 in the year 1945, Fr. Noronha served in city and also climbed his way up the Church hierarchy as a Model Priest.

In his long innings, Fr. Noronha served with Bishops Rt. Rev. Feuga, Rt. Rev. Mathias Fernandes, Rt. Rev. Dr. Francis Michaelappa, Rt. Rev. Joseph Roy, Rt. Rev. Dr. Thomas A. Vazhapilly and also worked with late Archbishop Albert V. D'Souza, who was the auxiliary Bishop of Mysuru.

Fr. Noronha, as the Financial Administrator (Procurator), moved into the Bishop House in 1960 which was a turning point in his career as a Priest and also a turning point for the Diocese of Mysore as the Diocese comprised (then) of six districts of Mysuru, Mandya, Kodagu, Hassan, Chikkamagalur and Shivamogga.

He also held three main posts namely – Financial Administrator, Diocesan Director of Social Work and Secretary of Mysore Diocesan Education Society (MDES) — where he had a lot of people coming to him throughout the day. He used to give a patient hearing besides trying his best to comfort them and help them in their problems and requirements.

Fr. Noronha, who had close contacts with late Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji and is closely associated with Suttur Seer Sri Shivaratri Deshikendra Swamiji, used to give lectures at 'Sarvadharma Sammelana.'

Having retired as Parish Priest on Jan. 12, 2014, at the age of 82, Fr. Noronha now stays at 'Prashantha Nilaya,' a Retirement Home for Priests of Mysore Diocese in St. Joseph's Hospital premises, Bannimantap. He spends his day by meeting patients in the hospital, comforting or counselling them and by reading books.

No wonder, Fr. Denis Noronha, a visionary Priest, who considered the whole world as one family, is a household name in city even today.

— S. Kenneth Shishir

CII's Transformational Leadership training motivates Govt. Officials

Dy. Commissioner D. Randeep and CII Mysuru Chairman Dr. N. Muthukumar with the participants.

Mysuru, Feb.21- The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Mysuru, in collaboration with the District Administration had organised a training programme on Transformational Leadership for Senior Government Officers of Mysuru district at Hotel Radisson Blu in city on Saturday. The programme was sponsored by Automotive Axles & Meritor India.

The event that included talks by motivational speakers was aimed at aiding the participants improve upon their personality development, work-life balance, positive attitude, self-motivation, public service, time and stress management and brain development skills.

Senior Government officials from 14 Departments like Police, Zilla Panchayat, MCC, MUDA, Taluk Office, RTO, Animal Husbandry, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj, Revenue Department, Health & Family Welfare, Tahsildars, PWD, Treasury and Assistant Commissioners participated.

The day-long programme concluded with Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep speaking on the importance of such refresher courses. He said "Motivational programmes like this are extremely important especially for the government officials to feel contented and maintain a good work-life balance. Doing so will help them work and live with a better state of mind."

Stating that employees should never mix or allow work stress and personal problems affect each other, he said, "Everyone faces trouble and pressure both at home and work. Also, pressure of all kinds is more for the government officials in particular due to various obstacles. However, unlike the employees associated with private sectors who are motivated this way, government officials are often left sidelined to solely handle their problems, which is very unfortunate."

Earlier, CII Mysuru Chairman Dr. N. Muthukumar spoke about the objectives of organising a refresher training programme which was conducted by V. Aswatha Ramaiah, Head, Unique Consultants, Bengaluru and M. S. Raghu, Certified Master Trainer, Neuro Linguistic Programme.

More than 70 government officials participated and also gave their feedback on the training programme.

Bags 'Best Paper Award' at Intl. Conference

Mysuru, Feb.21- The Paper titled *"Reading Kannada Critical Works on Shakespeare to Enhance Understanding and Appreciation: Some Reflections"* by Dr. R. Purnima, Director, Children's Literary Club, Mysuru, has received the Best Paper Award at the International Conference on "English Language, Literature & Communication: Innovations & Applications in the Teaching - Learning Scenario" (ELLCIATLS-2017) organised by the School of Humanities, K.R. Mangalam University, Gurgaon, recently.

Two works in Kannada on Shakespeare, titled *Shakespearige Namaskara,* edited by S. Balu Rao and *The Shakespeare* by M . Rama Rao, were taken up for study.

Excels in essay contest

Mysuru, Feb. 21- K.A. Anantha Vijay, a 1st PU student of Jnanodaya PU College, Saraswathipuram, has bagged second prize in the District-level inter-collegiate Sanskrit essay writing competition conducted by SBRR Mahajana PU College recently.

BANDIPUR WILDFIRE

Gusty winds hinder dousing operations

Inferno spreads to N. Begur, Gundre ranges

Counter-fire measures initiated; local villagers pitch in to extinguish flames

Bandipur, Feb. 21 (MTY&BCT)- The wildfire that broke out on Saturday in Kalkare range of Bandipur National Park which claimed the life of a forest guard is yet to be brought under control.

The fire has now spread to N. Begur and Gundre ranges. This is the second major fire in region in the last three days

Reports from the inner ranges of the Tiger Reserve this morning said that more than 400 rangers and guards led by Bandipur Project Tiger Director T. Hiralal were fighting to bring the inferno under control since late yesterday night.

Counter-fire measures have been initiated and local people are helping the forest department to control the fire. Villagers are drawing water from bore-wells and are transporting it to the inner area of the forest, said sources.

The fire at N. Begur and Gundre ranges was first noticed on Sunday night and though it was brought under control, gusty winds carried burning cinders and fanned a fresh fire.

90% of the fire had been doused and it is yet to be controlled fully near Begur as the wind speed is a little high. The operation has become difficult due to scarcity of water as majority of the lakes in the region have dried up due to rainfall deficit, Hiralal told *Star of Mysore*.

"We are filling fire engines with water from bore-wells in nearby villages. Hundreds of ebony, teak and other valuable trees have been destroyed and even a few animals have died," he added.

The officer said that dousing fire was their first priority and the extent of loss will be taken into account later.

Though the forest guards and tribals have formed small groups to extinguish the fire, gusty wind is making their task difficult as they are stoking fresh fires and there is little that fire lines can do to prevent it.

Along with dousing the fire, guards and watchers are also clearing dry *lantana* bushes so that there is no room for the fire to spread. Though major mammals may have escaped the fire, the young ones of animals, birds, reptiles and insects would have perished, officials said.

CM Siddharamaiah loses cool

At the 10th State Wildlife Board meeting in Bengaluru yesterday, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah lashed out at forest officials over the fire where a young guard lost his life, battling flames.

When the issue of forest fire and the compensation for the guard was placed before him, Siddharamaiah lost his cool and expressed his dissatisfaction over the working style of the forest department.

Though officials explained how tough it is to keep a tab on such a wide range of woods regularly, the CM was in no mood to listen. When officials briefed him about miscreants lighting fire at 4 to 5 places and how it was difficult to check manually as the extent of the range is huge, Siddharamaiah asked them "When was the last time you patrolled the forest? What were the department personnel doing when miscreants had illegally gained entry into forests and lit the fire?"

When there was no answer from forest officials, CM added angrily: "If you all just sit in Bengaluru, how you all will be able to see what is happening in forests? Perhaps, this is the reason they (officials at forests) are so laid-back with their responsibility." The CM further berated the bureaucrats of the Forest Ministry saying: "A young guard has lost his life because of this and he had to support his family. Who will answer and reply to the questions of his family members?" he asked.

Rs. 25 lakh compensation

Later Minister for Forest, Ecology and Environment B. Ramanath Rai informed the media that Bandipur Tiger Conservation Foundation will give Rs. 25 lakh compensation to the family of forest guard Murigeppa Tammangol who died while trying to douse the forest fire at Bandipur.

He also said that directions had been issued to conduct a detailed enquiry into the cause of forest fire.

FPS owners briefed on bio-coupon system

2,000 from district participate

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (US&RK)- The District Administration together with the Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, had organised a workshop for owners of Fair Price Shops (FPS) of the district this morning at Kalamandira to create awareness on the bio-coupon system introduced recently by the Government to streamline issuance of ration to cardholders.

About 2,000 owners of the Fair Price Shops in the district participated in the workshop.

Briefing the participants, DC D. Randeep and Dy. Director of the Food and Civil Supplies Dr. K. Rameshwarappa, said that the bio-coupon system has been introduced in 403 ration shops which would be extended to all Fair Price Shops in the State gradually.

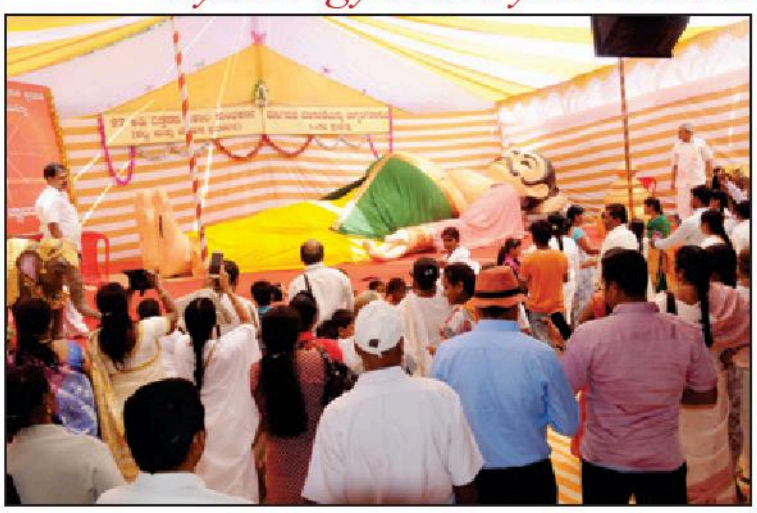
They advised the participants to shun apprehension over the system and co-operate in total implementation. They suggested linkage of Aadhaar card numbers with Ration Cards totally and added that out of 20 lakh ration cards, 17.5 lakh had already been linked with Aadhaar numbers. They pointed out that issuance of BPL and APL cards had been made simpler now.

The DC asked all ration shop owners to upload bio-coupon details to ensure easy and transparent process in issuance of food items.

The Fair Price Shop owners interacting with the DC sought an increase in their commission, more transportation charges for receiving the food grains and waiving off bio-coupon system for aged card holders.

Spreading Essence of Spirituality

Gyan-Vigyan Divya Darshan Mela to conclude on Feb. 26



Mysuru, Feb. 21 (RKB& VNS)-The Gyan-Vigyan Divya Darshan Mela, organised by Prajapita Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Mysuru, as a part of its Golden Jubilee celebrations at the Maharaja College Grounds, has been attracting a lot of devotees from Mysuru and surrounding districts.

Brahmakumaris organisation, involved in spreading the essence of spiritualism, has set up 24 stalls at the mela to create awareness about various topics such as the ill-effects of smoking and alcohol, introducing people to healthy and hygienic food and others. One of the stalls also introduces the visitors to the organisation, its founders and objectives.

Stalls are also dedicated to Lord Krishna where models depicting the 'Rasaleela' and his childhood. A laser show about Brahmakumaris has been one of the main attractions. Volunteers are also seen dressed as 'Asta Devataas' (Eight Goddesses) much to the delight of visitors.

Kedarnath

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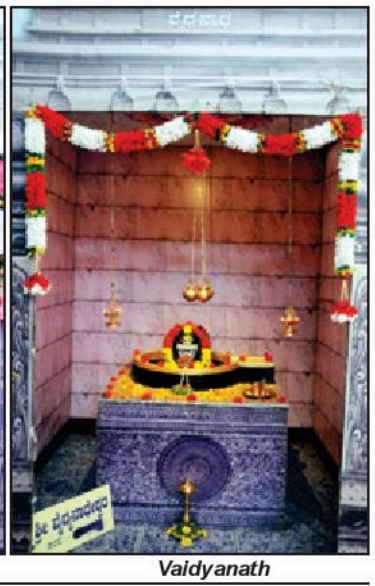
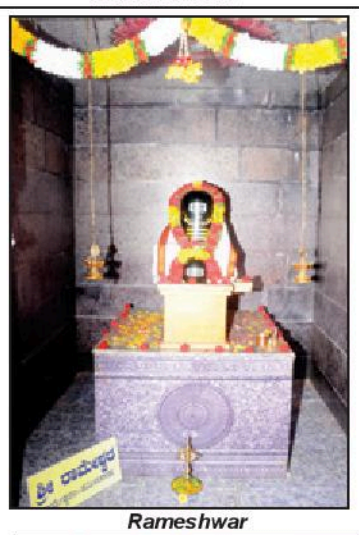


Vaidyanath



Rameshwar

The other exhibit which has been attracting visitors are the replicas of 12 Jyothirlingas (Dwadasha Jyothirlingas) - namely Somanath in Gujarat, Mallikarjuna at Srisailam in Andhra Pradesh, Mahakaleswar at Ujjain in Madhya Pradesh, Omkareshwar in Madhya Pradesh, Kedarnath in Himalayas, Bhimashankar in Maharashtra, Vishwanath in Varanasi, Triambakeshwar in Maharashtra, Vaidyanath in Jharkhand, Nageswar at Dwarka, Rameshwar in Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu and Grishneshwar in Maharashtra are displayed at the exhibition.

The 40-ft Amarnath cave has also been a centre of attraction. Devotees visiting the place can get a feel of the holy shrine which is located in the Himalayan ranges. There is also a 24-ft-tall statue of Kumbakarna which depicts the present day human being who has become lazy.

Brahmakumaris organisation has also invited scholars and orators to speak on various topics including spiritualism and related fields. There are also seminars on topics such as 'Women as saviours of culture' and 'Shaswath Yogic Agriculture'. The mela ends on Feb. 26 and is open for public from 9 am to 9 pm. Entry is free.

Nageshwar

Kashi Vishwanath

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Trade Licence Mela evokes good response

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Speaking on the occasion, FKCCI Vice-President Sudhakar S. Shetty urged the MCC to scrap the existing Trace Licence and instead issue Business Certificate in which the details about sales tax, entertainment tax and other taxes could be brought under single platform to reduce paper work.

Sudhakar Shetty added that he would soon submit a proposal regarding the same to Chief Minister Siddharamaiah. The MCC has erected 9 stalls where officials representing all nine MCC Zones were seen assisting the hoteliers in renewing their Trade Licences. Around 500 hoteliers renewed their Trade Licence today. MCC Health Inspectors Dr. Ramachandra and Dr. Nagaraj, Hotel Owners Association Charitable Trust Hon. Secretary Subrahmanya R. Tantri and others were present.

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The Club reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.

Four-day Intl. Meet on 'Lord Srirama in Art, Literature and Religion'

Dr. Veerappa Moily to inaugurate the event tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (BNR)- Dr. M. Veerappa Moily, MP & Chairman, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance, will inaugurate a four-day International Conference on *'Lord Srirama in Art, Literature and Religion'* at the auditorium of the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, Karnataka Exhibition Authority premises in city tomorrow (Feb. 22) at 10.30 am.

Veerappa Moily

Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji will grace the occasion. MP Pratap Simha will release the souvenir.

MLAs M.K. Somashekar and Vasu will inaugurate the exhibitions focusing on spiritual and scientific aspects of Ramayana and Ramavatara, put up by IGNCA, GoI and I-SERVE, Institute of Scientific Research on Vedas (ISRV), New Delhi.

Dr. B.R. Mani, Director General, National Museum and Vice-Chancellor, NMI, GoI, will deliver the keynote address. Dr. D.P. Dubey of Allahabad University will preside.

Dr. Yogendra Pratap Singh, Director, Ayodhya Research Institute, Lucknow, Prof. T. Rukmani, Concordia University, Canada and Dr. Soraj Bala (retd.), Director, I-SERVE, ISRV will be the guests of honour.

Dr. N. Manjula, Commissioner, Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, Mysuru and Director, Department of Tourism, GoI and Dr. Gavisiddaiah, Director, Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, Mysuru, will be present.

Valedictory

The 4-day meet, which features technical sessions wherein the specially invited emeritus scholars will present their papers, will conclude on Feb. 25.

Prof. A.V. Narasimhamurthy, Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru and Co-Chairman of the Organising Committee of the event, will deliver the valedictory address at 3 pm. PWD and District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will be the chief guest.

Dr. Rohitha Eswer of Raasavrunda School of dance, Mysuru, will present a dance feature titled *'Ramasankirthana'* at the valedictory.

The Conference is jointly organised by Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji of Sri Sudarshana Narasimha Kshetra, Vijayanagar, and the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, Government of Karnataka, in collaboration with Ayodhya Research Institute; ICHR, New Delhi; IGNCA, New Delhi; I-SERVE, New Delhi; IAS, New Delhi & National Museums & NMI, Government of India. The organisers have embarked upon documenting valuable information available in the scholarly scriptures on *'Dashavatara'* for the benefit of spiritual as well as scientific knowledge seekers.

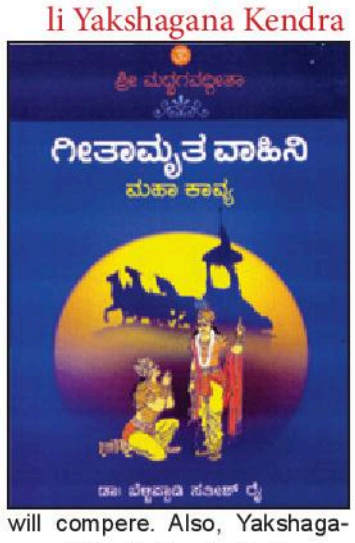
The interesting feature of this event is three International Scholars (from France; Singapore and the US) have sent in their papers for inclusion in the documentation of the proceedings of this event. An emeritus scholar from Canada will personally present her paper.

7th edition 'Geetamruta Vahini' to be released tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (BNR)- The 7th edition of the book *'Geetamruta Vahini,'* authored by Dr. Bellipadi Satish Rai, will be released at a programme at Nadamantapa in Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama here tomorrow (Feb. 22) at 6 pm, under the aegis of Bellipadi Yaksha Samskrutika Trust.

Avadhoota Datta Peetham Founder Pontiff Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji will grace the occasion. Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji will be present. Kannada scholar Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry will preside. T.S. Chayapati of Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Grantha Male and Vid. Krishnakumar Achar of Karavali Yakshagana Kendra-Mysuru will be the guests. Vid. Herambha Bhat will compere. Also, Yakshagana *'Sri Krishnaleele-Kamsavadhe'* will be presented by artistes of Karavali Yakshagana Kendra on the occasion.

Yakshagana 'Sri Krishnaleele-Kamsavadhe' by Karavali Yakshagana Kendra



Mahashivaratri celebrations on Feb. 24

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (BNR)- As part of Mahashivaratri on Feb. 24, special programmes have been organised at Jagadguru Sri Veerasimhasana Mahasamsthana Mutt, **Suttur Srikshetra,** in the presence of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji.

In the morning, special pujas will be performed at Kartrugadduge of Adijagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara Shivayogi, Sri Mahadeshwara, Sri Someshwara, Sri Veerabhadreshwara and Sri Narayanaswamy Temples.

Again, from **6 pm on Feb. 24 to 6 am the next day (Feb. 25)** various pujas will be performed; **At 7 pm:** Shivadeekshe; **9.30 pm:** silver chariot Prakarotsava.

5 pm to 9 pm: Cultural programmes by students of Suttur JSS Educational Institutions; **10 pm:** Shivakathe by Shivakatha Vidwan B.C. Basavaraja Shastry; **12.30 am:** Devotional songs by Swara Sangama troupe (Mysuru); **2 am:** Neelagaarara Mela by Sri Siddappaji Neelagarara Sangha of Ramasamudra; **4.30 pm:** Bhajans by Sri Basaveshwara Bhajana troupe (Horalavadi).

On Feb. 26, special Amavasya Puja will be held, according to a press release.

Chandramouleshwara Temple, VV Mohalla

Various abhishekas, archane and pujas have been organised at the Temple in V.V. Mohalla on the occasion of Mahashivaratri on Feb. 24 from 6 am to 1.30 pm and again from 4 pm to 7 am the next day. Also, Prakarotsava will be held at 7.30 pm on Feb. 25.

Free lecture and workshop

As part of Mahashivaratri, **Sri Paramahamsa Yoga Mahavidyalaya,** T.K. Layout, has organised a free lecture and workshop on *'Shiva Dhyana, Mantropadesha and Poorvajanma Chikitsegala Mahatva'* on **Feb. 24 from 6 pm to 9 pm,** under the guidance of Yoga Praveena Shivaprakash Guruji and Poorvajanma Chikitsaka Malatesh Guruji.

For details and registration, interested may contact Mob: 81974-58514 or 99027-13536, before Feb. 22.

Sarod recital by Pt. Rajeev Taranath at Ganabharathi on Feb. 23

Mysuru, Feb.21-Ganabharathi has organised a Sarod recital by Pandit Rajeev Taranath on Feb.23 at 6 pm at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar. He will be accompanied on tabla by Pandit Udaya Raj Karpoor.

Profile: Internationally acclaimed performer, Pt. Rajeev Taranath is today one of the world's leading exponents of the Sarod. A distinguished disciple of Maestro Ali Akbar Khan, his performances masterfully combine the depth and rigour of the tradition of Hindustani classical music with an inspired imagination and emotional intensity.

Hailed a prodigy in Hindustani vocal music, he had been earlier trained by his father Pandit Taranath and other eminent musicians. He was a concert and radio artiste before he was twenty.

Pt. Rajeev has toured extensively as a performer in India, Australia, Europe, Yemen and throughout the US. He has also composed music for several nationally and internationally honoured Indian films. He is the recipient of the Sangeet Natak Academi Award for 1999-2000, given in recognition of outstanding achievement in the field of Hindustani Instrumental Music.

In 1998, he received the prestigious National Award 'Chowdiah Award for Music' from the Government of Karnataka for excellence in the field of instrumental music. He has also received awards from the Government of Karnataka for his contribution to music — the Sangeet Nritya Akademi Award in 1993 and the Karnataka Rajya Prashasti in 1996. In 1980 he was the subject of a documentary made for the television in Eden, Yemen, entitled *Finnan Min-Al-Hind (Artist from India).*

He was a Ford Foundation scholar (1989 to 1992) and researched during this period on the 'Teaching Techniques of The Maihar-Allauddin Gharana.' Rajeev has also received guidance from Pandit Ravi Shankar and Srimati Annapurna Devi. From 1995-2005, he was a member of the Music Department faculty at the prestigious California Institute of Arts in Los Angeles, California.

Kalashree-2016 awardees

Mysuru, Feb.21-Bal Bhavan, Bengaluru and Belagavi had organised 'Kalashree-2016' contests in various fields of activities at Suvarna Soudha in Belagavi on Feb.17. **M. Manya,** a 9th std. student of Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, Mysuru, was awarded 'Kalashree-2016 title' for her excellent performance in Karnatak Music-Vocal by Dr. Anjali Nimbalkar, President, Bal Bhavan, Bengaluru.

Daughter of Lt. R.A. Manjunath and Vidu. M. Meera, Manya is a disciple of Vidu. Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar in Karnatak Music-Vocal.

H. Kushi, studying in 8th std. at St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar and practicing yogasana at Mysore Vivekananda Yoga Institute, too has bagged "Karnataka Kalashree-2016" award for her outstanding performance, dedication and commitment towards promotion and propagation of yoga.

Vocal concert by Harini at Sri Krishna Gana Sabha tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.21-Sri Krishna Gana Sabha has arranged a vocal music concert by Harini Ramesh at Alwar Kala Bhavan, Sri Krishna Temple premises in Gokulam 3rd stage on Feb. 22 at 6 pm.

She will be accompanied by Vid.C.N.Thyagarajan on violin, Vid. P.S. Muralidhar on mridanga and V.S. Ramesh on morching. The programme is sponsored by Dr. C.M. Muniramappa and Family in association with Kannada and Culture Department, Bengaluru.

Profile: Harini Ramesh, who hails from Hassan, studied at A.V.K.College, Hassan. She was initially trained by Vidu. M.G. Lakshmi of Hassan and then by Ganakala Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar for 7 years. Now she is being groomed by the famous sisters Vidushi Ranjani and Vidushi Gayathri from Chennai.

Harini is a B Grade artiste of AIR and Doordarshan. She has given music concerts at all the famous Sabhas of Karnataka.

Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy U-23 Tournament

Karnataka in strong position

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Hosts Karnataka were in a strong position, after having reduced Uttar Pradesh who chasing a target of 294-runs for a outright win were struggling at six for two in 7.1 overs in their second innings, at the end of the second day's play in the four-day Col. C.K. Nayadu U-23 Tournament played at the SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee grounds yesterday.

Resuming their second innings at 75 for three in 28 over, Uttar Pradesh were bowled out for 127 in 42.2 overs. T. Pradeep impressed with a five-wicket haul (five for 27) and was well supported by left-arm spinner J. Suchith who picked up four for 26. Karnataka secured a vital first innings lead of 101-runs.

In their second essay, Karnataka scored 192 in 59 overs. Opener and skipper Nischal top scored with 51 (5x4s), Shreyas (39 n.o, 4x4s) and B. Anurag (27, 3x4s, 1x6s) were the other scorers. Needing 294-runs to win, Uttar Pradesh lost 2 quick wickets and were reduced to 6 for 2 in 7.2 overs and they further require 288-runs with 8-wickets in hand for an outright win.

BRIEF SCORE

Karnataka 228 in 61.5 overs (K.N. Bharath 60, D. Nischal 35, M.G. Naveen 31, Samarth Ooty 22, Prateek Jain 22 n.o, Vishal Choudhary six for 63) & 192 in 59 overs (D. Nischal 51, Shreyas Gopal 39 n.o, B. Anurag 27, Deepak Kumar two for 37, Mohd. Javed two for 39, Vishal Choudhary three for 68, Zeeshan Ansari two for 27) Vs Uttar Pradesh 127 in 42.2 overs (Shubham Agarwal 43, Shivam Choudhary 30,T.Pradeep five for 27, J. Suchith four for 26) & six for two in 7.1 overs.

Azhar slams RPS

Hyderabad, Feb. 21- Former India captain **Mohammad Azharuddin** has slammed the Rising Pune Supergiants for removing Mahendra Singh Dhoni as the captain ahead of the IPL 2017 season, terming the move as 'third rate and disgraceful'.

Dhoni, who led India to World T20 and World Cup triumphs and twice captained Chennai Super Kings to IPL titles, was replaced by Australian skipper Steven Smith as the team's captain. The wicketkeeper-batsman, who had stepped down as India's limited-overs captain earlier this year, had been the team's skipper during their disastrous debut season in 2016.

Pune finished seventh in their maiden appearance last year at the IPL, and Azharuddin felt it was not correct to put all the blame on Dhoni.

Dhoni, who had stepped down as India's limited-overs captain to snap his international run as skipper earlier this year, will, however, continue to be a part of the Pune franchise as a player. Azhar said he was hurt more at the manner the decision was announced than the decision itself.

Medal-winning karatekas

The karatekas of I Can the Learning Centre School bagged medals in the State-level and District-level Inter-dojo Karate Championships held recently. Sitting from left: Sanjana, Prissha, Rida, Akshara, Anshuman, Aaryan, Sreenikathan, Vineeth, Odin; Kneeling from left: Manthan, Arya, Taara, Sharun, Pratheek, Sasja; Standing from left: Leela, Om, Sahana, School Principal Joyce, Sensei Prajwal, Sathvik, Jay and Tanvi.

NRAI to bid for 2020 Olympic Shooting qualifying event

New Delhi, Feb. 21- The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) is looking at the upcoming ISSF World Cup as a stepping stone to prepare a strong bid for hosting a qualifying event for the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo. NRAI President Raninder Singh today expressed optimism that a smooth conduct of the year's first World Cup, a first for the country, will go a long way in helping India make a bid for one of the Olympic quota events next year and the year after.

To be conducted at a cost of Rs. 1.25 crore, the mega-tournament will be held at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range from Feb. 22 to Mar. 4.

In the upcoming tournament, a total of 50 countries will be represented by 452 athletes and among them will be reigning and former Olympic champions, world champions and continental champions lining up against India's top guns.

Excel in badminton tourney

Kishal Ganapathy and Kavish Chengappa, studying in St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar, represented Mysore District in the Li-Ning State-level Junior Badminton Tournament held in association with Anup Sridhar Badminton Academy at Bengaluru recently and won the U-15 doubles title. Kavish also won the U-15 singles title while Kishal emerged as the Runner-up. They are trained at Ram Badminton Academy in Mysuru.

Mysore University Inter-zonal Women's Games

Teresian College wins handball title

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Teresian College for Women beat SBRR Mahajana FGC 7-4 to clinch the women's handball title in the Mysore University Inter-zonal Women's Games held at the Govt. First Grade College, Kythanahalli, Pandavapura yesterday.

RESULTS

Hand Ball

Final: Teresian College for Women bt SBRR MFGC 7-4, Semi-finals: SBRR MFGC bt Govt. FGC for women 21-4, Teresian College for women bt Bharathi College, Bharathinagar 8-4.

Volley Ball

Final: Teresian College for Women bt Govt. Science College, Hassan 25-15, 25-13, **Semi-finals:** Govt. Science College bt JSS College, Saraswathipuram 25-20, 25-18, Teresian College for Women bt Govt. College for women, Mandya 25-11, 25-10.

Table Tennis

Final: SBRR MFGC bt JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram 3-2, **Semi-finals:** SBRR MFGC bt Maharani's Commerce College 3-1, JSS Women's College bt GFGC, Kyathanahalli 3-0.

Chess

Winners: Govt. Women's College, Hassan, Runner-up: Teresian College for Women Ball.

Badminton

Final: HDD Paduvalahippe bt St.Philomena's College, Hassan 2-1, **Semi-finals:** HDD Paduvalahippe bt GFGC, KR Pet 2-0, St. Philomena's College, Hassan bt JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram 2-0.

Throw Ball

Final: JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram bt PGSC 2-0, **Semi-final:** JSS Women's College bt GFGC. Gundlepet 2-0, PGSC bt AVK Hassan 2-0.

Ball Badminton

Final: Marimallappa FGC bt GFGC, Kythanahalli 2-0, **Semi-finals:** GFGC, Kythanahalli bt GFGC, Belur 2-0, Marimallappa FGC bt PGSC 2-0.

MDFA 'C' Division Football League

Big win for Shivaji FC

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Shivaji FC registered a big 6-2 win over East Mysore FC in their Group 'C' league tie in the MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2016-17 for the Chirag Trophy played at the University Grounds yesterday.

The results: Shivaji FC 6 (Irfan 16, 36, Shoaib 31, 59, Kumar 40, 45) bt East Mysore FC 2 (Arif 54, Zeeshan 57).

Wins gold in athletics

City's athlete B.K. Raje Urs, Supdt. Central Excise, Koorgally Range** (third from left) **won the gold medal in the 5 km walking race** (40 plus men's category) **at the 49th All India Central Revenue Athletic Meet held at Mumbai recently.

Natl. Meet on 'Digital Economy in India: The Challenges Ahead'

Mysuru, Feb. 21- UGC-sponsored one-day National Conference on 'Digital Economy in India: The Challenges Ahead" was held at Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VVFGC) PG Centre in city recently. Prof. Yashvanth Dongre (then acting VC of University of Mysore) inaugurated the conference.

Dr. D. Rajasekhar, in his keynote address, highlighted about mobile internet coverage, power supply, affordability, financial and digital literacy and Banking Infrastructure.

Former Corporator and Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS) President Gundappa Gowda presided. VVS Hon. Secretaries S.N. Lakshminarayana and P. Vishwanath, VVFGC Principal Dr. Shivalinge Gowda, Commerce Dept. Head (PG Centre) Dr. S. Mari Gowda and all teaching and non-teaching staff were present on the occasion.

Jyothi and Niveditha, final year M.Com students, rendered invocation. VVPGC Asst. Professor S. Ashwini proposed a vote of thanks. Asst. Professor G.M. Rajeshwari compered.

Cultural programmes mark Annual Day celebrations at city schools

Mysuru, Feb. 21- Ranga Rao Memorial School for Disabled (RMSD), run by NR Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the NR Group, celebrated the 29th Annual Day in the School premises recently.

Dr. J. Shashidhar Prasad, former VC, University of Mysore, inaugurated the programme. H.R. Srinivas, District Disabled Welfare Officer, Mysuru, was the guest of honour. R. Guru, Chairman, RMSD, presided.

Celebrated with great zeal, the event featured a variety of cultural programmes by the students of RMSD.

The students enthralled the audience with Dasara Pada, Kolata and Shishugeethe Nrutya.

Students also mesmerised the crowd by a special welcome dance and disabled anthem composed by Shankar Mahadevan. The event concluded with prize distribution.

DE PAUL INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL: IGNITE, the 14th Annual Day of the School was celebrated in its campus recently. IGNITE unveiled a plethora of enterprising and entertaining programmes. Sudheer Reddy, IPS, was the chief guest. Actress Rachita Ram was the celebrity guest. Rev. Fr. Thomichan C.M., the Provincial of Congregation of Mission, was among other distinguished guests

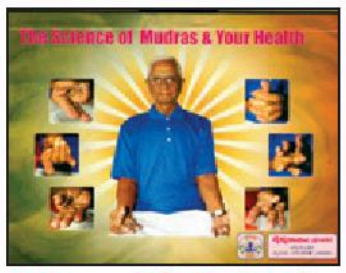
DGTM SCHOOL: D.G. Thiruvengada Mudaliar (DGTM) School, Vidyaranyapuram, celebrated its 10th annual day at its premises here recently.

Swami Rasikashekara Dasa, Vice-President of ISKCON Temple was the chief guest. He rendered a story on 'humanity.'

Students from Pre KG to VII std. presented cultural prog. A silent skit on 'Unity in Diversity' was staged by VI std. and VII std. students. School Chairman Purshothaman, Secretary Muralidhar, Tresurer Sharavana, HM Evelyn Susanna and staff were present.

Booktalk

Mysuru's nonagenarian unravels Mudra way to health



Title : *The Science of Mudras & Your Health*
Author : *Prof. D.V.S. Iyer*
Pages : *68*
Price : *Rs. 50*
Publisher : *Vaidyavartha Prakashana Mysuru*

Mysuru-based well-known promoter of wellness, industrialist Dr. B.R. Pai, in the course of his presentation of simplified insight into healthy living on many platforms proclaims his conviction that the age-old words of wisdom "Prevention is *better* than cure" needs to be modified as "Prevention is the *only* cure."

Resonating with his philosophy based on personal experience of several decades is Prof. D.V.S. Iyer, a nonagenarian academic, also Mysuru-based, providing an insight into the science of Mudras, their practise at no cost and assured freedom from pains and many disorders in health.

The outcome of practicing the set of 28 Mudras, presented as photographs of hands, not needing more than a few minutes, particularly experiencing relief from the common pains and ailments is explained in simple English.

Backaches, joint pains, spondylitis, headaches, toothache, vertigo, inflammation, mouth ulcers, dry cough, cramps and so on is only a partial list of health problems that the author has not only witnessed personally but also prescribes to all who wish to regain their health lost due to stressful living.

If the publication is brought out in Kannada and other languages, its outreach is sure to expand manifold.

—BRS

New team of Sri Sumathinath Jain Navyuvak Mandal

Mysuru, Feb. 21- The election to the Sri Sumathinath Jain Navyuvak Mandal (SSJNM), a Jain youth organisation, for the term 2017-2020 was held in all the 7 Wards and 3 members from each Ward were elected for the core Working Committee.

THE TEAM: President: Pravin Lunkar; Secretary: Amit Oswal; Vice-President: Sanjay Chouhan; Joint Secretary: Vinod Oswal and Treasurer: Bhawarlal Solanki; Committee Members: Mahaveen Jain, Pannalal Vohra, Amit M. Jain, Lalith Rathod, Suresh S. Jain, Kishore Sakaria, Amit Rathod, Tejraj Jain, Ganesh Jain, Bharath Jain, Kamlesh Kawad, Suresh Jain, Dinesh Lunkar, Uttamchand Jain, Anand Salecha and Mahendra.

Calling Khadi Board beneficiaries

Mysuru, Feb. 21- The Karnataka Khadi and Village Industries Board has set Mar. 31 as deadline for repayment of loans.

A press release issued by the Board states that the interest and penalty will be waived off if beneficiaries repay the capital amount by Mar. 31.

The beneficiaries will have to repay loans along with interest and penalty if they failed to repay the capital amount within the Mar. 31 deadline, the release added.

Two-day Inter-collegiate contest on Scientific knowledge begins

JSS Science and Technology University VC Dr. B.G. Sangameshwara is seen inaugurating the inter-collegiate competition at JSS College for Women in Saraswathipuram this morning as former VC of Mysore University Prof. K.S. Rangappa and others look on.

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (US&PM) - A two-day inter-collegiate competition *ASTER-Galaxy of Scientific Knowledge* organised by the Science Rostrum of JSS College for Women commenced this morning at the College premises in Saraswathipuram here.

Hundreds of students from various colleges are participating in the competition which includes debate, quiz, poster presentation, crazy idea presentation and scientific rangoli.

Inaugurating the programme, Dr. B.G. Sangameshwara, Vice-Chancellor, JSS Science and Technology University, said that Science and Technology had developed well in the country and sought innovative research in the field. He regretted that none of the Indian Universities figured in the top 200 Varsities in the world.

Blaming the education system, he sought a radical change with thrust for practical knowledge instead of just academic knowledge. He advised students to be inquisitive in a subject to elicit ideas and knowledge from teachers.

Prof. K.S. Rangappa, former VC, University of Mysore (UoM), presided. Dr. S. Srikantaswamy, Director, College Development Council, UoM, was the chief guest. College Principal Prof. K.V. Suresh and Rostrum President Lathamani were present.

MYSORE WINTER RACES 2017

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'Sea King' for Kunigal Stud Gold Cup

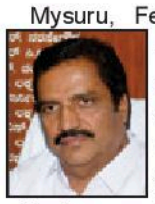
Mysuru, Feb.21- The following are the selections for the 15th Day Mysore Winter Races to be held here tomorrow (22nd February 2017):

1.	12.45 PM	THE VESUVIUS PLATE DIV II
	1200 mts. (rated 00 to 25)	
	1. Delta Delight 2. Aldahma	
2.	1.15 PM	THE ELLORA PLATE DIV II
	1600 mts. (rated 20 to 45)	
	1. Counter Point 2. Kodals Princess	
3.	1.45 PM	THE VESUVIUS PLATE DIV I
	1200 mts. (rated 00 to 25)	
	1. Break on Thru 2. Sheer Luck	
4.	2.15 PM	THE ELLORA PLATE DIV I
	1600 mts. (rated 20 to 45)	
	1. Sky Full of Stars 2. Kir Royal	
5.	2.45 PM	THE SRIHARIKOTA PLATE DIV II
	1100 mts. (rated 20 to 45)	
	1. Clouds 2.Deltin	
6.	3.15 PM	THE INDI PLATE DIV II
	1200 mts. (rated 40 to 65)	
	1. Ali Boxer 2. Teri Adah	
7.	3.45 PM	THE SRIHARIKOTA PLATE DIV I
	1100 mts. (rated 20 to 45)	
	1. Chase the Ace 2. Dazzle Away	
8.	4.15 PM	THE ANDOLANA TROPHY
	1200 mts. (rated 80 and above)	
	1. Downton Abbey 2. Sea Lagoon	
9.	4.45 PM	THE KUNIGAL STUD GOLD CUP
	1400 mts. (3 years-terms)	
	1. Sea King 2. Ascendent	
10.	5.15 PM	THE APERITIVO PLATE
	1400 mts. (rated 60 and above)	
	1. Tiger of Mysore 2.Reanna	
11.	5.45 PM	THE INDI PLATE DIV I
	1200 mts. (rated 40 to 65)	
	1. Class Above 2.Excelance	

DAY'S BEST:*DOWNTON ABBEY*
DOUBLE: *1. SEA KING 2. CLASS ABOVE*
JACKPOT: *7,8,9,10,11;* ***I TREBLE:*** *3,4,5;* ***II TREBLE :*** *6,7,8*
III TREBLE : *9,10,11*
EXACTAS: *10, 11*

—Tipster PGC

New CADA chief takes charge



Nanjappa

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (SP&DM) - The newly-appointed Cauvery Command Area Development Authority (CADA) Chairman H.S. Nanjappa, a senior Congress leader from Gundlupet, took charge at CADA office on Sayyaji Rao Road yesterday.

Later, speaking to press persons, he said he was committed to the development of CADA.

Promising a comprehensive development of CADA, he said that he would request Chief Minister Siddharamaiah to announce Rs. 125 crore in the budget to strengthen it.

Assuring of taking measures to check swamp, soil erosion and to improve fertility of soil in the catchment area, he said that in addition, he aims to provide proper storage facilities for grains, market access and connectivity for farmers.

Continuing, he said that 33 taluks of eight districts come under the jurisdiction of Cauvery CADA and he would work towards providing irrigation facilities and other infrastructure needed for farming community.

Stating that Kabini, Harangi, Hemavathi and KRS dams and 15 medium irrigation projects fall under CADA, he said that all measures would be taken to ensure proper and judicious utilisation of water available in dams.

Land Development Officer Somasundar, Agriculture Officer Mahanteshappa, Deputy Administrative Officer Roopa, Chief Accounts Officer Swetha and other officials were present at the press meet.

Ex-MP opposes merger of *Yeshasvini* Health Scheme

Vishwanath

Mysuru, Feb. 21 (MTY&DM)- Asserting that *Yeshasvini* Health Scheme, which was introduced in the State when S.M. Krishna was the Chief Minister, is one of the best health schemes not only in the country but across the globe, former MP A.H. Vishwanath has opposed the reported move to merge the health scheme with *Vajpayee Arogyashree Yojana.*

Addressing the press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, Vishwanath said he would attend a meeting convened by the Chief Secretary in this regard at Bengaluru (today) where he will persuade the government not to give nod for the merger of *Yeshasvini* under *Vajpayee Arogyashree Yojana.*

Claiming that *Vajpayee Arogyashree Yojana* had failed miserably, the former MP said many scholars from across the world including faculty of the prestigious Harvard University have hailed *Yeshasvini* as a landmark health scheme which hugely benefited the poor.

Stating that he had written to the CM and as well as the Health Minister opposing the move, he reiterated that the Government should nip any effort that is going on for the merger.

Replying to a question on reports that KPCC would issue him a notice for his remarks that have hurt the party, Vishwanath said that he learnt about the so-called notice only from the media.

He further said that he would reply after holding a meeting with party workers and leaders, if at all he was served with a notice.

ICSI Mysore hosts seminar on Guardians of Governance

Mysuru, Feb.21-The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) - Mysore Chapter, had organised a two-day seminar on the topic "Guardians of Governance –The Board & KMPs" at Hotel Rio Meridian in city recently.

S. Rajendran, Chief General Manager, BEML Aerospace Division, who was the chief guest, inaugurated the seminar.

The sessions covered various topics on Company Law such as Secretarial Standards for Governance, Rights, Duties & Responsibilities of Directors of Listed & Unlisted Companies, Raising of Share Capital, Borrowings, Related Party transactions, Board Diversity & Board Evaluation etc.

V.J. Balakrishnan, Chairman, ICSI Mysore Chapter, welcomed.

S. Rajendran, CGM, BEML Aerospace Division, is seen lighting the lamp as (from left) M. Pracheta, Vice-Chairperson- ICSI Mysore Chapter, M.C. Bhansali, Past Chairman-Mysore Chapter, V.J. Balakrishnan, Chairman-Mysore Chapter and S. Manjunath, Secretary-Mysore Chapter, look on.

S. Manjunath, Secretary, ICSI Mysore, proposed a vote of thanks. M. Pracheta, Vice-Chairperson, ICSI Mysore, coordinated the seminar. M.J.Veerash, Treasurer, ICSI Mysore, anchored.

In the valedictory session, Dr. N.R. Parasuraman, Director, SDM-IMD, was the chief guest. The session was attended by delegates from Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

WORD OF THE DAY

Wizened

Meaning: Dried; shrivelled; withered; shrunken; as in "a wizened old man."
Origin: Wizened is the past participle of wizen which means "to wither, to dry," originated from the Old English word wisnian.

THE ODD WORD

OP

Style of abstract art.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Charley Horse

Meaning: Stiffness in the leg / A leg cramp.
Origin: 'Charley horse' (sometimes misspelled 'Charlie horse') is an American phrase and originated in the sport of baseball. The term is very much American and not in use in many other English-speaking countries. All the early citations of the phrase relate to baseball in some way or another. The earliest which is from The Fort Wayne Gazette, July 1887:
"Whatever ails a player this year they call it 'Charley horse'. 'Tom and Jerry horse' would fit many cases."

QUOTE BOX

Night is certainly more novel and less profane than day.

—Henry David Thoreau

RIDDLE THIS

A box without hinges, lock or key, yet golden treasure lies within.
Who am I?

Answer: An Egg.

SUDOKU

		7				5		
6	1						4	7
	3			7			1	
8				1				9
			8		6			
4				5				1
	5			2			9	
9	8						5	3
		2				6		

Answer to previous puzzle

9	2	8	3	7	1	6	5	4
6	7	4	5	8	2	1	3	9
5	3	1	9	6	4	2	8	7
8	5	2	7	9	6	4	1	3
3	6	7	4	1	8	5	9	2
1	4	9	2	3	5	7	6	8
7	8	6	1	4	3	9	2	5
4	1	5	6	2	9	3	7	6
2	9	3	6	5	7	8	4	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

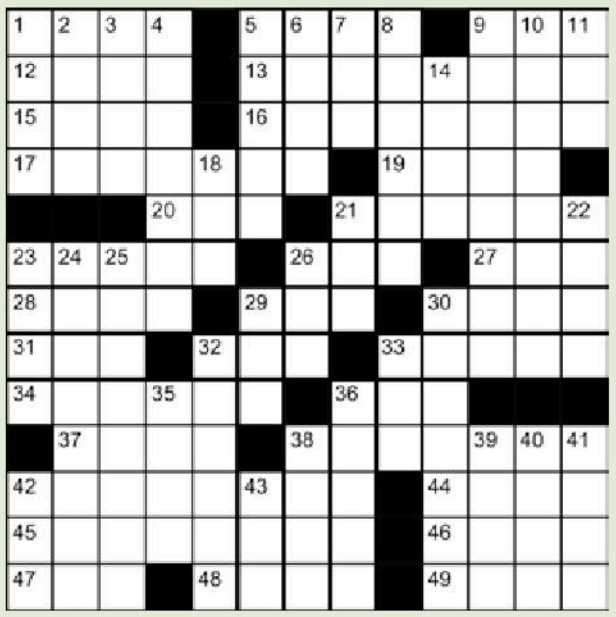
1 A door or a lid that's slightly open
5 In order not to, say forget?
9 Part of verb to be
12 An instance or a container
13 Exactly on time ? (2,3,3)
15 United States Information Service, acronym?
16 Arrive behind time (4,4)
17 This sounds pleasant?
19 South American Capital or type of beans
20 __ de plume : a writer's pen-name?
21 Blows one's own trumpet?
23 Strike or hit
26 Not one ___ or tittle : absolutely nothing?
27 Islet
28 They won't be allowed to a stag party!
29 A lively jumping dance
30 A plant with bitter juice which is used as a purgative
31 Alfred's pet name
32 Catch, obtain, seize
33 Representative, substitute or broker?
34 Ex-Windies skipper Carl ___
36 A wooden pin pushed or driven into a surface
37 A squirrel's nest
38 Child at residential school?
42 Do not forget?
44 ___ Stanley Gardener : mystery writer?
45 "Elations" changing into digit protectors
46 Pithy material used in making a hat?
47 Plus, in addition to
48 Memory alone
49 Hurried or ran past, in a way?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

R	S	M	■	T	A	B	U	■	T	E	S	T
A	T	I	■	A	T	E	N	■	I	N	K	S
S	O	N	A	K	S	H	I	■	S	T	Y	E
H	A	I	L	E	■	L	O	P	S	■	■	■
■	■	■	M	A	Y	■	N	A	U	S	E	A
P	A	L	A	C	E	S	■	Y	E	A	R	S
I	L	A	■	H	A	I	L	S	■	P	E	P
N	O	K	I	A	■	X	E	R	O	S	I	S
E	T	H	N	I	C	■	D	A	B	■	■	■
■	■	■	C	R	A	B	■	N	I	E	C	E
H	A	T	H	■	C	R	O	S	S	B	O	W
I	L	I	E	■	T	A	R	O	■	O	R	E
P	I	P	S	■	I	C	B	M	■	N	M	S

DOWN

1 _ __ above the rest : better than others? (1,3)
2 Match-winning off-spinner of yore
3 One never wants to commit one (1,3)
4 Feels indignant or bitter about
5 Substitute
6 Chemical suffix
7 Seminary deg.
8 Everything; nothing excluded? (3,3)
9 Just plain drinking water - and slightly Biblical, if you will? (5,3)
10 Turn of a wheel
11 French season
14 ___ Kazan : famous Hollywood director?
18 An archaic enemy
21 Piece of wet spongy ground
22 "Let it stand", instruction for the printer?
23 Former ruler of Iran
24 Musical squeeze box
25 Told; gave knowledge of
26 Refuse to comply
29 A glass container for jam!
30 Commit the first act of hostility?
32 Forward who plays for Brazil and Barcelona
33 Angle-of-attack
35 One end of a hammer
36 Scandinavian?
38 Below the ___ : unfairly?
39 To let fall
40 "She" in French
41 To look at and understand written or printed matter
42 Required Time of Arrival
43 Prefix meaning "life"?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

BK FCYYIW JKL USBNUCP SKZ XIY, NY

NO NFMKOONHPI YK QIIM ZM

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS N

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Personally I'm always ready to learn, although I do not always like being taught.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Preethi Prema	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Melukote Manja	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Chowka	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Dodmane Huduga	Sri Maruthi	2521923	4 Shows
Kirik Party	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
R.A. Pushpaka Vimana	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Tonic	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
141	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
HINDI			
The Ghazi Attack	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Miss Teacher	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Singam-3	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Ennodu Vilayadu	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Om Namo Venkatesaya	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows

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The Lego Batman Movie (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.45 am
	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 3.20 pm, 5.25 pm
Kirik Party (K)	(S-1)	12.50 pm
Chowka (K)	(S-1)	3.45 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	10.30 am
Ezra (Ma)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
Irada (H)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 9.55 pm
Hidden Figures (E)	(S-2)	7.25 pm
Running Shaadi (H)	(S-3)	11.30 am, 1.45 pm
Mana Manthana (K)	(S-3)	4.45 pm
The Ghazi Attack (H)	(S-3)	7.25 pm, 9.55 pm
Singam -3 (Ta)	(S-4)	1.35 pm
Jolly LLB 2 (H)	(S-4)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

The Lego Batman Movie (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.05 am, 2.55 pm, 7.35 pm
Running Shaadi (H)	(S-1)	5.10 pm
Hidden Figures (E)	(S-3)	1.00 pm, 9.40 pm
Jolly LLB 2 (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 3.50 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.40 pm, 7.00 pm
The Ghazi Attack (H)	(S-1)	12.20 pm, 9.50 pm
The Ghazi Attack (Te)	(S-3)	3.40 pm
Ezra (Ma)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Irada (H)	(S-4)	4.30 pm
Kirik Party (K)	(S-2)	6.40 pm;
	(S-3)	9.50 am
Singam-3 (Ta)	(S-2)	12.45 pm
Chowka (K)	(S-3)	6.20 pm; (S-4) 10.20 am

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON WEDNESDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 6.50 Sponsored Prog., 10.00 Saxophone Recital, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 11.30 Kannada Film Songs, 12.00 noon Hindi Film Songs, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 Devaranama, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 pm Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Bandani, 4.30 Folk Songs, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Ranga Kalarava, 9.30 Vocal Recital, 10.00 Savinenapu.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Kaala Teeka	7:00 pm Saathiya	7:30 pm Peshwa Bajirao
7:30 Sanyukt	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	08:00 Mahabali Hanumaan
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:00 PardesMeinHaiMeraDil	08:30 Ek Rishta Sajhedari Ka
8:30 Jamai Raja	8:30 Chandra Nandni	09:00 Beyhadh
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:00 Naamkarann	09:30 Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi
9:30 Ek Tha Raja Ek Thi Rani	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	10:00 Peshwa Bajirao
10:00 Woh Apna Sa	10:00 Ishqbaaaz	11:00 Crime Patrol Dial 100
5:00 pm Man Woman Wild	6:30 pm Superstars	6:30 pm India Unlocked
6:00 Food Factory	7:00 This Weeks Special	7:00 Nat Geo Extreme
7:00 Man Vs. Wild	7:30 Sri Lanka Tour of Australia 2017 H/ls	8:00 Brain Games : Logic
8:00 River Monsters	8:00 Sri Lanka Tour of Australia 2017	8:30 Science of Stupid
9:00 Man Vs. Wild	8:30 Superstars	9:00 Mega Factories
10:00 Gold Rush	9:00 Sri Lanka Tour of Australia 2017	10:00 Primal Survivor : Thin Air
11:00 Naked and Afraid	9:30 This Weeks Special	11:00 Deadly Jaws : The Secret Life of Predators
6:00 pm We Bare Bears	6:30 pm Ganga	6:30 pm Meenakshi Maduve
7:00 Roll No. 21	7:30 Kula Deivam	7:00 Sarayoo
8:30 Roll No. 21	8:00 Deiva Magal	7:30 Sapthamathruka
9:00 Teen Titans Go	8:30 Vamsam	8:00 Aramane
9:30 Oggy and the Cockroaches	9:00 Nandini	8:30 Nandini
10:00 Ben 10	9:30 Vani Rani	9:00 Ananda Bairavi
11:00 Dragon Ball Z	10:00 Priyamanaval	9:30 Movie: **Kshana Kshana**

MOVIES TONIGHT

4:10 pm **New Police Story**	3:11 pm **Harry Potter...**	7:05 pm **The Rebel**
6:52 **Unstoppable**	5:43 **Transformers**	9:00 **The Man**
8:59 **Django Unchained**	8:30 **Mission: Impossible**	10:24 **Flash Point**
	10:56 **The Godfather**	11:51 **The Losers**
6:02 pm **Aambala**	4:43 pm **Bulandi**	6:00 pm **Ab Tak Chappan**
8:55 **Tadakha**	7:55 **Time Story**	8:30 **Infomercial**
11:29 **Aaj Ka Great Gambler**	11:31 **Mr. and Mrs. Ramachari**	9:00 **Atishbaz**
3:00 pm **Blue Crush**	4:00 pm **Hendathige Helbedi**	4:15 pm **Khuda Kasam**
5:21 **Hunger Games**	7:00 **Bangarada Panjara**	7:00 **Baby**
8:15 **Battleship**	10:00 **Nyaya Gedithu**	10:30 **Dushman Duniya Ka**
11:00 **Men in Black 3**		

EVENTS TODAY (FEB.21)

Children's Literary Club: Talk on "JOIDA" by Dr. R. Purnima, Govt. Girls Hostel, Adi Pampa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

Kanaka Pragna Montessori School: 3rd Annual Day celebrations, Dr. G.R. Jagannatha Babu, Asst. Professor, Mysore Medical College, Mysuru and Iris Lawrence, retd. HM of Ideal Jawa Rotary School, Mysuru, chief guests, D. Meena Kumari, Principal, presides, Vokkaligara Samudaya Bhavana, Vidyaranyapuram, **5 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI): Technical Talk on 'Farm Mechanisation' by Prof. Arun Belamatti, Senior Scientist and Head, ICAR JSS KVK, Suttur, M. Chinnaswamy, Chairman, IEI, Mysuru, presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, Istitution premises, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampoorna Srimadramanayana by Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Ambabhavani Temple, N.R. Mohalla: Sri Shivaji Maharaj's 380th Jayantotsava celebrations, Puja Programmes, Temple premises, Jai Ambabhavani Circle, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB.22)

Kousthubha Kannada Monthly: 8th anniversary celebrations, Dr. Madhu Dixit Guruji presides, Dr. Shivananda Shivacharya Swamiji of Hiremutt in Tumakuru inaugurates, Jagadguru Dr. Siddhathotendra Swamiji of Korisiddeshwara Samsthana in Yadgir graces, President of Karnataka Vaidya Sahitya Parishat Dr. C. Sharath Kumar releases the special issue, former VC of Kuvempu University Dr. K. Chidanandagowda presents Kousthubha award to achievers, Ex-MLC Thontadarya, BJP leader H.V. Rajeev, State President of Bharath Krishi Samaja Siddagowdamodagi, Ursu Jagruthi Academy President N. Parthasarathy Raje Urs and others will be present, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **10 am.**

Science Rostrum-2017, JSS College for Women, Saraswathipuram: Valedictory of ASTER - Galaxy of Scientific Knowledge, Inter-Collegiate Competitions, Dr. A. Balasubramanian, Professor of Earth Science, UoM, delivers valedictory address, Dr. K.S. Mallesh, Professor and Chairman, DoS in Physics, UoM, chief guest, Navajyoti auditorium, College premises, **10 am.**

Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) Limited: Public hearing in connection with its filing applications for approval of Annual Performance Review for the Financial year 2015-16, for approval of Annual Revenue Requirement (ARR) for Financial Year 2018 and the revision of retail supply tariff for Financial Year 2018 before the Commission, Court Hall, DC's office, **11 am.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Mysuru District Sharana Sahitya Parishat: Book release — Dr. Pradeep Kumar Hebri's Shivayogi Siddharameshwara, Allamaprabhudevaru, Sharana Dampati, Naadabindu — by scholar Dr. K. Anantaramu, Kannada Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat office, Palace North Gate, **5 pm.**

Children's Literary Club: Talk on "JOIDA - Part 2" by Dr. R. Purnima, Govt. Girls Hostel, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

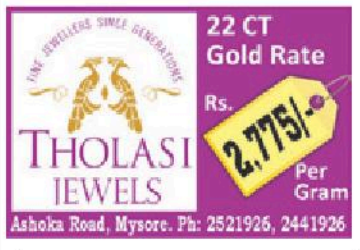
Rajya Kumbarara Yuvasainya, Mysuru District Unit: Mahakavi Sarvajna Jayanti celebrations, CREDIT-I Managing Trustee Dr. M.P. Varsha inaugurates, Corporator Snake Shyam presides, Ideal Jawa Rotary School, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

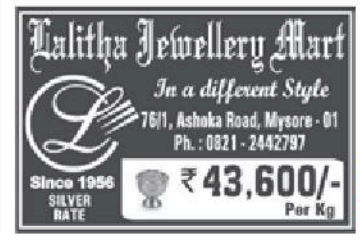
Bellipadi Yaksha Samskrutika Trust: Book release — 7th edition of 'Geetamruta Vahini' authored by Dr. Bellipadi Satish Rai, Founder Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama Sri Ganapathy Swamiji graces the occasion, Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji will be present, Kannada writer Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry presides, Chayapati of Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Grantha Male and Vid. Krishnakumar Achar of Karavali Yakshagana Kendra-Mysuru guests, Vid. Herambha Bhat comperes, Yakshagana 'Sri Krishnaleele-Kamsavadhe' by artistes of Karavali Yakshagana Kendra, Nadamantapa, Sri Ganapathy Ashrama premises, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampoorna Srimadramanayana by Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Maruthi van donated to Naganahalli School

A Maruthi van was donated to Sri Laxmi Education Trust, Naganahalli recently, by Sthanakwasi Yuva Sanghatan sponsored by Committee members and Gupt Dani. Picture shows Founder-President Budhmal Baghmar and President Jasawath Nangawat handing over the van keys to School Trustee as Secretary Abhishek Singhavi, Committee members Deepak Bohra, Mahesh Sethiya and Rajesh Mehta, Trustee of the School, look on.





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